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ORDINANCE NO. 3785

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, AMENDING TITLE 1 OF THE EDMONDS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 1.99 LIMITS ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS, AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that important governmental interests are to be served including the prevention of election corruption and/or the appearance of election corruption; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that a limit of \$500 does not frustrate the candidate's opportunity to be heard nor does it in any way infringe on a contributor's right to discuss candidates and issues; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title 1 General Provisions of the Edmonds City Code is hereby amended by the addition of a new chapter 1.99 Limits on Campaign Contributions to read as follows:

CHAPTER 1.99 LIMITS ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Section:	
1.99.010	Intent.
1.99.020	Definitions.
1.99.030	Application.
1.99.040	Contribution limits.
1.99.050	Civil violation.

1.99.010 Intent.

It is the public policy of the City that the people shall be assured that the private financial dealings of their public officials and of candidates for those offices present no conflict of interest between the public trust and private interest;

1.99.020 Definitions.

The terms used in this chapter shall be afforded definitions found in RCW 42.17.020 or Title 390-05 WAC, as the same exists or is hereafter amended, and are hereby adopted by reference, except that the following term shall be given the meaning set forth below:

(a) "Election cycle" means the combination of the general or special election and the primary election to the office in question and begins on the date an individual becomes a candidate for such office as the term "candidate" is defined by RCW 42.17.020 and ends on the date that the candidate files his or her final report pursuant to RCW 42.17.180 (2).

(b) To "accept" or "receive" a contribution means the receipt of a contribution, deposit of funds with other campaign funds, and report of the contribution to the public disclosure commission, except when a candidate returns the contribution to the contributor within five (5) business days of the date on which it is received by the candidate or political committee acting on behalf of that candidate.

(c) "Person" includes an individual, partnership, joint venture, public or private corporation, association, federal, state, or local governmental entity or agency however constituted candidate, committee, political committee, political party, executive committee thereof or any other organization or group of person, however organized.

(d) "Public disclosure commission" means the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission as established under RCW 42.17.350 as the same exists or is hereafter amended.

1.99.030 Application.

These limits shall apply to candidates in any election for the Edmonds City Council or for Mayor of the City of Edmonds.

1.99.040 Contribution limits.

A. No candidate shall accept or receive during the election cycle campaign contributions totaling more than \$500 from any one person.

B. The limitations in this section shall apply to all contributions except:

1. A campaign contribution of his/her own resources to his/her own campaign;
2. The value of volunteer services; or
3. Publicly donated funds under provisions authorizing public funding of local campaigns.

1.99.060 Civil violation.

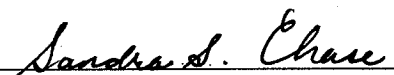
Any person who shall commit any violation of the provisions as set forth in this chapter shall have committed a civil violation and upon finding by the Edmonds Municipal Court that such violation has been committed, shall pay a monetary penalty to the City of Edmonds equivalent to the monetary amount of contributions above \$500 received by the candidate, in the aggregate, from the source giving rise to a violation during the election cycle.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

APPROVED:


MAYOR GARY HAAKENSEN

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY


W. SCOTT SNYDER

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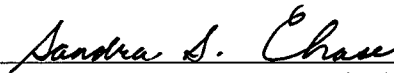
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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 3rd day of March, 2010.


CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF WASHINGTON,
COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

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CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE
Published: March 7, 2010.

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that she is Principal Clerk of THE HERALD, a daily newspaper printed and published in the City of Everett, County of Snohomish, and State of Washington; that said newspaper is a newspaper of general circulation in said County and State; that said newspaper has been approved as a legal newspaper by order of the Superior Court of Snohomish County and that the notice

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Amending Title 1 of the Edmonds Municipal Code

a printed copy of which is hereunto attached, was published in said newspaper proper and not in supplement form, in the regular and entire edition of said paper on the following days and times, namely:

March 07, 2010

and that said newspaper was regularly distributed to its subscribers during all of said period.

Jody Grohl

Principal Clerk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

8th

day of March, 2010

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Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Everett, Snohomish County.

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